

DETAILED ACTION

1. The Amendment and IDS filed by Applicant on 01/04/2008 has been entered.

Response to Amendment/Arguments

2. Applicant's amendment and arguments filed on 01/04/2008 have been fully considered and they are found persuasive.

3. The rejection of claim 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention is withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-20 allowed.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert D. Harlan whose telephone number is (571) 272-1102. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu, 10 AM - 8 PM.

6. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David W. Wu can be reached on (571) 273-1114. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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